

woven or non-woven material top layer is arranged, said central layer having a bottom face on which a bottom layer of a fabric material suitable for coupling with a male coupling portion of tearable strip means, said top, central and bottom layers being hot coupled to one another, without using adhesive materials, to provide an integral laminate construction.

16. (new) A modular laminate coating element according to Claim 15, wherein said central layer comprises a closed cell foamed polyethylene layer coupled by a thermoforming process to said top and bottom layers.

17. (new) A modular laminate coating element according to Claim 15, wherein said top layer comprises a woven and dyed wool felt material having anti-smearing properties.

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18. (new) A method for making a three non metallic layer modular laminate coating element according to Claim 15, comprising the steps of hot coupling a central layer of a thermoformable material, a bottom layer of a woven or non-woven material, a bottom layer of a fabric material suitable for coupling with a coupling male portion of tearable strip means, thermoforming said layers and simultaneously printing, sealing and die cutting said coupled thermoformed layers on the perimeter with a contoured metal mold designed to hot impress to said laminate coating element projecting and recessed patterns to be permanently associated with a surface of said central layer and accordingly with the fabric material of the exposed face thereof.

19. (new) A modular laminate coating element for coating floors and walls which consists essentially of three layers of non-metallic materials, said three layers being a central layer being a thermoformable plastic; a top face layer on which a woven or non-woven material top layer is arranged and a bottom layer of a fabric material suitable for coupling with